The Earth System Grid (ESG)

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The Earth System Grid

http://www.earthsystemgrid.org

- U.S. DOE SciDAC funded R&D effort
- Build an "Earth System Grid" that enables management, discovery, distributed access, processing, & analysis of distributed terascale climate research data
- A "Collaboratory Pilot Project"
- Build upon ESG-I, Globus Toolkit™, DataGrid technologies, and deploy
- Potential broad application to other areas



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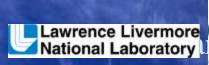


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Primary ESG Servers

Mass storage, disk cache, and computation

NCAR: Climate change prediction and data archive

LBNL/NERSC: Climate data archive

LLNL: Model diagnostics and inter-comparison

Web and applications-based access to management, discovery, analysis, and visualization

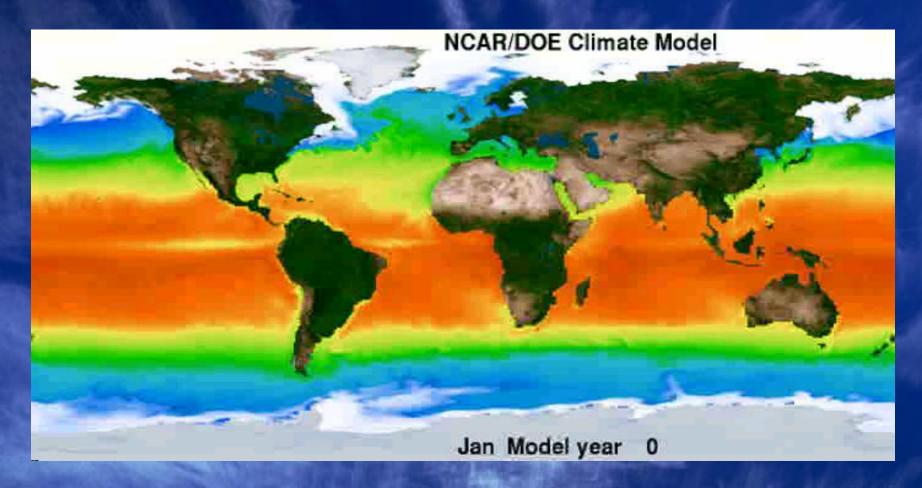
ANL: Globus and grid applications

ORNL: Simulation and climate data archive

USC/ISI:
Globus, grid
applications, and
metadatabases

LANL (Future): .7
Climate and ocean
data archive

A Global Coupled Climate Model





Baseline Numbers

- T42 CCSM (current, 280km)
 - 7.5GB/yr, 100 years -> .75TB
- T85 CCSM (140km)
 - 29GB/yr, 100 years -> 2.9TB
- T170 CCSM (70km)
 - 110GB/yr, 100 years -> 11TB





Capacity-related Improvements

Increased turnaround, model development, ensemble of runs

Increase by a factor of 10, linear data

- Current T42 CCSM
 - -7.5GB/yr, 100 years -> .75TB * 10 = 7.5TB



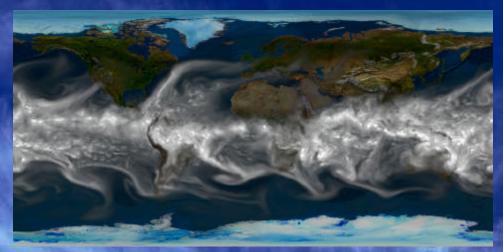


Capability-related Improvements

Spatial Resolution: T42 -> T85 -> T170

Increase by factor of ~ 10-20, linear data

Temporal Resolution: Study diurnal cycle, 3 hour data Increase by factor of ~ 4, linear data



CCM3 at T170 (70km)





Capability-related Improvements

Quality: Improved boundary layer, clouds, convection, ocean physics, land model, river runoff, sea ice *Increase by another factor of 2-3, data flat*

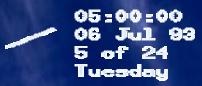
Scope: Atmospheric chemistry (sulfates, ozone...), biogeochemistry (carbon cycle, ecosystem dynamics), middle Atmosphere Model...

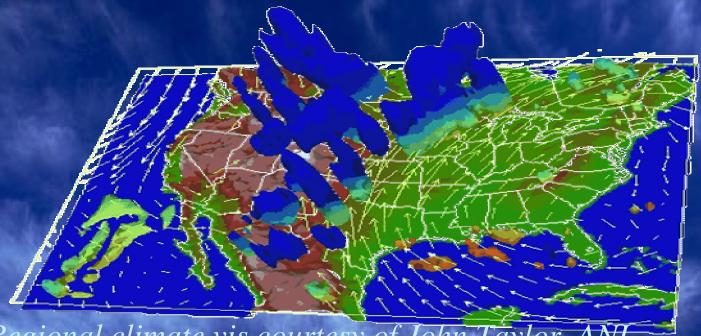
Increase by another factor of 10+, linear data





Approaching Mesoscale (i.e. "weather") Resolution





Regional climate vis courtesy of John Taylor, ANL



Scientific Discovery through Advanced Computing

Model Improvements cont.

Grand Total:

Increase compute by a Factor O(1000-10000)



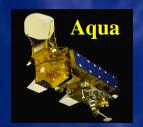


We Will Examine Practically Every Aspect of the Earth System from Space in This Decade

Longer-term Missions - Observation of Key Earth System Interactions















Exploratory - Explore Specific Earth System Processes and Parameters and Demonstrate Technologies

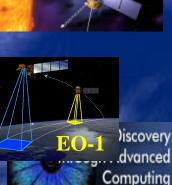












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The Earth System Grid

ESG: Challenges

- Enabling the simulation and data management team
- Enabling the core research community in analyzing and visualizing results
- Enabling broad multidisciplinary communities to access simulation results

We need integrated scientific work environments that enable smooth WORKFLOW for knowledge development: computation, collaboration & collaboratories, data management, access, distribution, analysis, and visualization.





ESG: Strategies

- Move data a minimal amount, keep it close to computational point of origin when possible
 - Data access protocols, distributed analysis
- When we must move data, do it fast and with a minimum amount of human intervention
 - Storage Resource Management, fast networks
- Keep track of what we have, particularly what's on deep storage
 - Metadata and Replica Catalogs
- Harness a federation of sites, web portals
 - Globus Toolkit -> The Earth System Grid -> The UltraDataGrid

through Advanced

Computing

The Earth System Grid

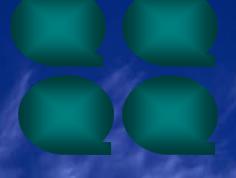


Storage/Data Management

HRM

Tera/Peta-scale
Archive





Tools for reliable staging, transport, and replication

Server

Client
Selection
Control
Monitoring

Server

HRM

Tera/Peta-scale
Archive





HRM aka "DataMover"

- Running well across DOE/HPSS systems
- New component built that abstracts NCAR Mass Storage System
- Defining next generation of requirements with climate production group
- First "real" usage

"The bottom line is that it now works fines and is over 100 times faster than what I was doing before. As important as two orders of magnitude increase in throughput is, more importantly I can see a path that will essentially reduce my own time spent on file transfers to zero in the development of the climate model database" – Mike Wehner, LBNL





OPeNDAP

An Open Source Project for a Network Data Access Protocol (originally DODS, the Distributed Oceanographic Data System)



Distributed Data Access Protocols

Typical Application

Distributed Application

OPeNDAP-g

-Transparency

-Performance

-Security

-Authorization

-(Processing)

Application

netCDF lib

data

Data (local) **Application**

OPENDAP Client

OPeNDAP Via http

OpenDAP Server

Application

ESG client

OPeNDAP ESG
Via +
Grid DODS

ESG Server

Data (remote)

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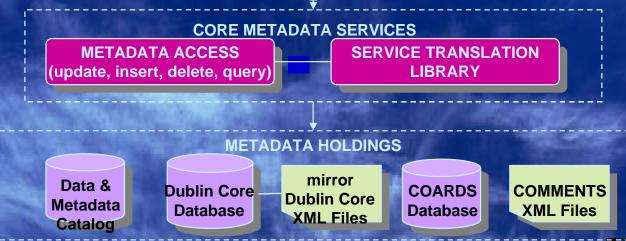
Big Data (remote)

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ESG: Metadata Services

ANALYSIS & VISUALIZATION **ESG CLIENTS API PUBLISHING** & USER INTERFACES SEARCH & DISCOVERY **ADMINISTRATION BROWSING & DISPLAY HIGH LEVEL METADATA SERVICES METADATA METADATA** METADATA & DATA **METADATA METADATA EXTRACTION ANNOTATION** REGISTRATION **BROWSING QUERY METADATA** METADATA **METADATA METADATA VALIDATION DISPLAY AGGREGATION DISCOVERY**





Scientific Discovery through Advanced Computing

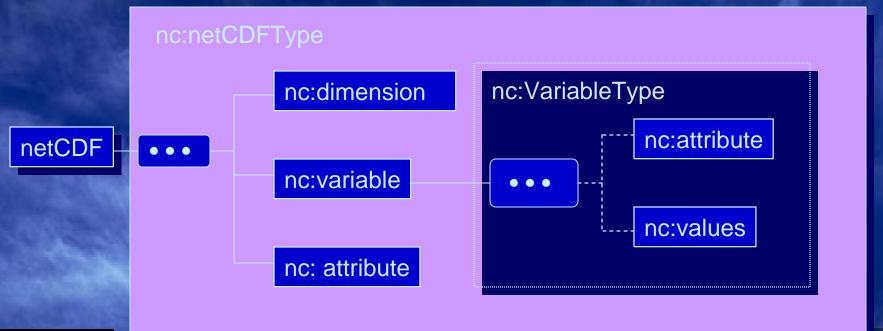
Metadata Status

- Co-developed NcML with Unidata
 - CF conventions in progress, almost done
- Developed & evaluated a prototype metadata system
- Finalizing a specific schema for PCM/CCSM
- Addressing interoperability with federal standards and NASA/GCMD via the generation of DIF/FGDC/ISO
- Addressing interoperability with digital libraries via the creation of Dublin Core
- Working with U.K. e-Science on schema sharing
- Experimenting with relational and native XML databases
- Exploratory work for first-generation ontology

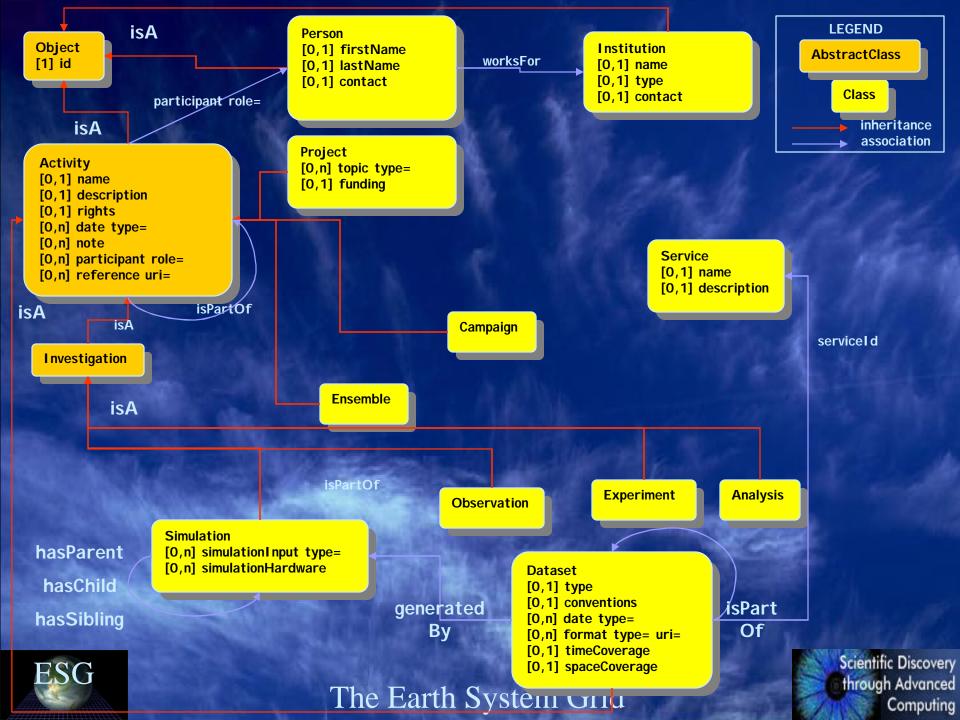


ESG: NcML Core Schema

- For XML encoding of metadata (and data) of any generic netCDF file
- Objects: netCDF, dimension, variable, attribute
- Beta version reference implementation as Java Library (http://www.scd.ucar.edu/vets/luca/netcdf/extract_metadata.htm)



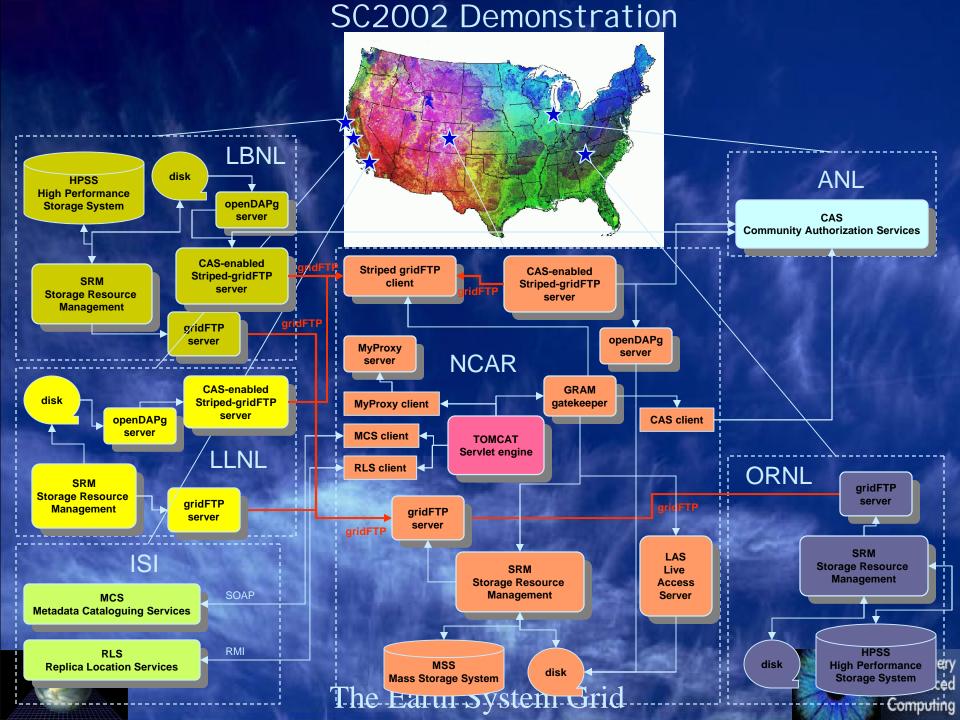




ESG Web Portal

SC2002 Prototype *Technology*Demonstration





Collaborations & Relationships

- CCSM Data Management Group
- The Globus Project
- Other SciDAC Projects: Climate, Security & Policy for Group Collaboration, Scientific Data Management ISIC, & High-performance DataGrid Toolkit
- OPeNDAP/DODS (multi-agency)
- NSF National Science Digital Libraries Program (UCAR & Unidata THREDDS Project)
- U.K. e-Science and British Atmospheric Data Center

Computing

- NOAA NOMADS and CEOS-grid
- Earth Science Portal group (multi-agency, intnl.) in Discovery The Earth System Grid

Immediate Directions

- Broaden usage of DataMover and refine
- Build data catalogs with rich metadata
- Release "real" ESG portal
 - Search, browse, access
- Alpha version of OPeNDAPg
 - Test and evaluate with three client applications (ncview, CDAT, & NCL)
- Move software and web portals into the hands of serious users, and get feedback!
- Later: OGSA, server-side analysis





Closing Thoughts

- Building an environment for the long-term
 - Difficult, expensive, and time-consuming
 - But a worthwhile investment
- Team-building is a critical process
 - Collaboration technologies really help
- Managing all the collaborations is a challenge
 - But extremely valuable
- Good progress, first real usage



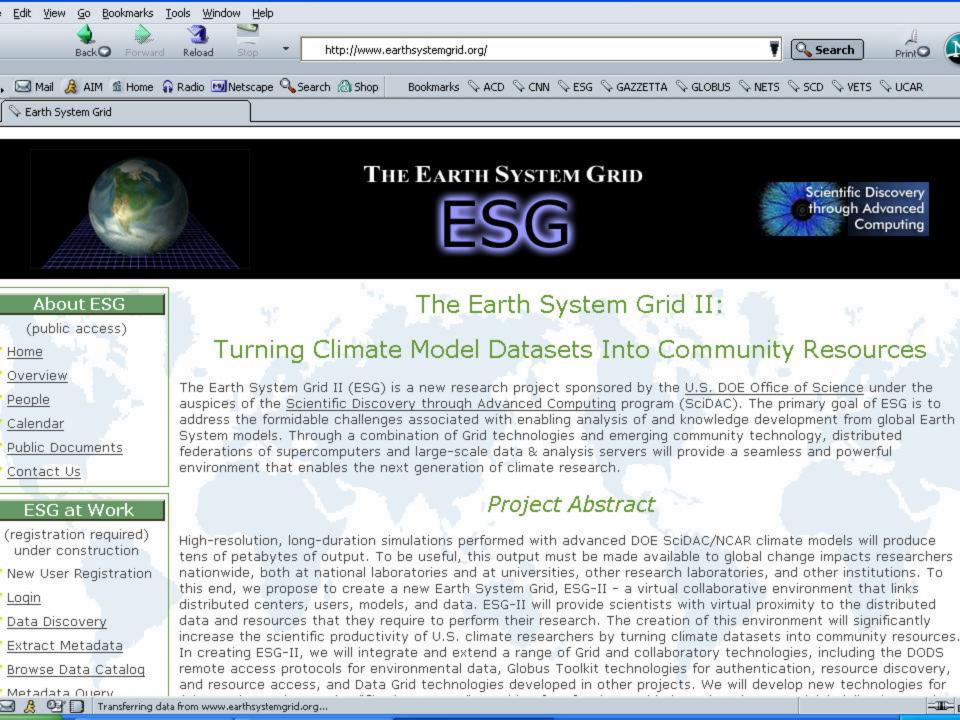


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Questions?













eplica Location Services) to find all registered replica locations, sizes, and access services for each logical file. The user may select replicas on k or remote storage (HPSS, MSS) and transfer them with the SRM (Storage Resource Manager); or the user may select and access replicas ved by distributed striped gridFTP openDAP servers. Optionally, the user may also view the metadata (stored in the MCS) associated with a ical collection or logical file. Please note that currently the query supports only a limited number of parameters.



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